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## NOTIFICATION RELATING TO PRIORITY CLAIM

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### IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION

International application No.

PCT/EP03/12219

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03/11/2003

Applicant

UNILEVER PLC

The applicant is hereby notified of the following in respect of the priority claim(s) made in the international application.

1. ☒ **Correction of priority claim.** In accordance with the applicant's notice received on: 26.01.04  
the following priority claim has been corrected to read as follows:

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- ☐ even though the indication of the number of the earlier application is missing.  
☐ even though the following indication in the priority claim is not the same as the corresponding indication appearing in the priority document:

2. ☐ **Addition of priority claim.** In accordance with the applicant's notice received on: \_\_\_\_\_  
the following priority claim has been added:

- ☐ even though the indication of the number of the earlier application is missing.  
☐ even though the following indication in the priority claim is not the same as the corresponding indication appearing in the priority document:

3. ☐ **As a result of the correction and/or addition of (a) priority claim(s) under items 1 and/or 2, the (earliest) priority date is:**

4. ☐ **The priority claim (see also item 5, below, if applicable) is considered not to have been made because:**  
☐ the applicant failed to respond to the invitation under Rule 26bis.2(a)(Form PCT/RO/110) within the prescribed time limit.  
☐ the applicant's notice was received after the expiration of the prescribed time limit under Rule 26bis.1(a).  
☐ the applicant's notice failed to correct the priority claim so as to comply with the requirements of Rule 4.10.

The applicant may, before the technical preparations for international publication have been completed and subject to the payment of a fee, request the International Bureau to publish, together with the international application, information concerning the priority claim. See Rule 26bis.2(c) and the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Volume I, Annex B2(IB).

5. ☐ In case where multiple priorities have been claimed, the above item(s) relate to the following priority claim(s):

6. A copy of this notification has been sent to the International Bureau ☐ and to the International Searching Authority.

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0-3	Name of receiving Office and "PCT International Application"	EUROPEAN PATENT OFFICE PCT INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION
0-4	Form - PCT/RO/101 PCT Request	
0-4-1	Prepared using	PCT-EASY Version 2.92 (updated 01.07.2003)
0-5	Petition The undersigned requests that the present international application be processed according to the Patent Cooperation Treaty	
0-6	Receiving Office (specified by the applicant)	European Patent Office (EPO) (RO/EP)
0-7	Applicant's or agent's file reference	F3325(C)/rkk
I	Title of invention	PREPARATION OF ANTIFREEZE PROTEIN
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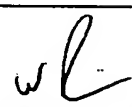
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<b>V</b>	<b>Designation of States</b>	
<b>V-1</b>	Regional Patent (other kinds of protection or treatment, if any, are specified between parentheses after the designation(s) concerned)	<p>AP: GH GM KE LS MW MZ SD SL SZ TZ UG ZM ZW and any other State which is a Contracting State of the Harare Protocol and of the PCT</p> <p>EA: AM AZ BY KG KZ MD RU TJ TM and any other State which is a Contracting State of the Eurasian Patent Convention and of the PCT</p> <p>EP: AT BE BG CH&amp;LI CY CZ DE DK EE ES FI FR GB GR HU IE IT LU MC NL PT RO SE SI SK TR and any other State which is a Contracting State of the European Patent Convention and of the PCT</p> <p>OA: BF BJ CF CG CI CM GA GN GQ GW ML MR NE SN TD TG and any other State which is a member State of OAPI and a Contracting State of the PCT</p>
<b>V-2</b>	National Patent (other kinds of protection or treatment, if any, are specified between parentheses after the designation(s) concerned)	<p>AE AG AL AM AT (patent and utility model) AU AZ BA BB BG BR BY BZ CA CH&amp;LI CN CO CR CU CZ (patent and utility model) DE (patent and utility model) DK (patent and utility model) DM DZ EC EE (patent and utility model) EG ES FI (patent and utility model) GB GD GE GH GM HR HU ID IL IN IS JP KE KG KP KR KZ LC LK LR LS LT LU LV MA MD MG MK MN MW MX MZ NI NO NZ OM PG PH PL PT (patent and utility model) RO RU SC SD SE SG SK (patent and utility model) SL SY TJ TM TN TR TT TZ UA UG US UZ VC VN YU ZA ZM ZW</p>
<b>V-5</b>	<p><b>Precautionary Designation Statement</b></p> <p>In addition to the designations made under items V-1, V-2 and V-3, the applicant also makes under Rule 4.9(b) all designations which would be permitted under the PCT except any designation(s) of the State(s) indicated under item V-6 below. The applicant declares that those additional designations are subject to confirmation and that any designation which is not confirmed before the expiration of 15 months from the priority date is to be regarded as withdrawn by the applicant at the expiration of that time limit.</p>	
<b>V-6</b>	Exclusion(s) from precautionary designations	NONE

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<b>VI-1</b>	<b>Priority claim of earlier regional application</b>		
<b>VI-1-1</b>	Filing date	<b>20 December 2002 (20.12.2002)</b>	
<b>VI-1-2</b>	Number	<b>02022589.2</b>	
<b>VI-1-3</b>	Regional Office	<b>EP</b>	
<b>VII-1</b>	<b>International Searching Authority Chosen</b>	<b>European Patent Office (EPO) (ISA/EP)</b>	
<b>VIII</b>	<b>Declarations</b>	<b>Number of declarations</b>	
<b>VIII-1</b>	Declaration as to the identity of the inventor	-	
<b>VIII-2</b>	Declaration as to the applicant's entitlement, as at the international filing date, to apply for and be granted a patent	-	
<b>VIII-3</b>	Declaration as to the applicant's entitlement, as at the international filing date, to claim the priority of the earlier application	-	
<b>VIII-4</b>	Declaration of inventorship (only for the purposes of the designation of the United States of America)	-	
<b>VIII-5</b>	Declaration as to non-prejudicial disclosures or exceptions to lack of novelty	-	
<b>IX</b>	<b>Check list</b>	<b>number of sheets</b>	<b>electronic file(s) attached</b>
<b>IX-1</b>	Request (including declaration sheets)	<b>6</b>	-
<b>IX-2</b>	Description (excluding sequence listing part)	<b>33</b>	-
<b>IX-3</b>	Claims	<b>2</b>	-
<b>IX-4</b>	Abstract	<b>1</b>	<b>EZABST00.TXT</b>
<b>IX-5</b>	Drawings	<b>2</b>	-
<b>IX-7a</b>	Sub-total number of sheets	<b>44</b>	
<b>IX-6</b>	Sequence listing part of description	<b>1</b>	-
<b>IX-7</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>45</b>	
	<b>Accompanying Items</b>	<b>paper document(s) attached</b>	<b>electronic file(s) attached</b>
<b>IX-8</b>	Fee calculation sheet	✓	-
<b>IX-9</b>	Original separate power of attorney	✓	-
<b>IX-11</b>	Copy of general power of attorney	<b>reference no. 170</b>	-
<b>IX-17</b>	PCT-EASY diskette	-	<b>Diskette</b>
<b>IX-19</b>	<b>Figure of the drawings which should accompany the abstract</b>		
<b>IX-20</b>	<b>Language of filing of the international application</b>	<b>English</b>	
<b>X-1</b>	<b>Signature of applicant, agent or common representative</b>		
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10-2	Drawings:	
10-2-1	Received	
10-2-2	Not received	
10-3	Corrected date of actual receipt due to later but timely received papers or drawings completing the purported international application	
10-4	Date of timely receipt of the required corrections under PCT Article 11(2)	
10-5	International Searching Authority	ISA/EP
10-6	Transmittal of search copy delayed until search fee is paid	

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